

¶ pat he be fadir of circūciſion / not
 only to hem pat ben of circūciſi
 on: but alſo to hem pat haue pe
 ſceppis. of pe ſerp / which ſerp is
 in ſpūcie of our fadir abrahā
 for not bi pe laſe. is biheete to
 abrahā or to his ſeed. ¶ he ſhul
 de be eyr of pe world: but bi pe
 riſtfulneſſe of ſerp / for if pei
 pat ben of pe laſe. ben eyris.
 ſerp is diſtroyed. biheete is don a
 wey / for pe laſe worchip wraſ
 pe / for where is no laſe. pei is
 no treſpas. ney is treſpaſſig.
 ¶ fore riſtfulneſſe is of pe ſerp.
 ¶ bi grace biheete be ſtable to
 ech ſeed / not to pat ſeed only pat
 is of pe laſe: but to pat pat is
 of pe ſerp of abrahā / which is fa
 dir of us alle: as it is writen / for
 ¶ I haue ſett pee fadir of many fol
 kis biſore god: to whom you haſt
 bileued / which god quykeneſ
 deed me: & clep pe viſis pat be
 not as po pat ben / which abrahā
 agens hope. bileuede into hope.
 ¶ he ſhulde be maad fadir of ma
 ny folkis. as it was ſeid to hym
 þus ſhal þi ſeed be. as pe ſterris
 of heuene. ¶ as pe granel pat
 is in pe bynke of pe ſee / & he
 was not maad vntidefaſt in pe
 bileue. ney he biheete his body
 pāne nyz deed. whāne he was
 almoſt of an hundred zeer. ne pe
 wombe of ſare nyz deed / alſo in
 pe biheete of god. he donide not
 wryntiſt: but he was confor
 tid in bileue. 3ynnyge gloxie to
 god / writige moost fully. ¶ whē
 en viſis god hay biht: he is nyz
 ti alſo to do / verfore it was aret
 tid to hi to riſtfulneſſe / & it is

not writen onely for hi. ¶ it was
 arettid to hi to riſtfulneſſe: but
 alſo for us to whiche it ſhal be
 arettid. pat bileue in hi pat rep
 ſide our lord ihu cū fro deſp / whi
 ch was bitakē for our ſynes: &
 rool aſen for our vntiſyng.
 ¶ fore we wiſti. ¶ **V**
 fied of ſerp. haue we pees
 at god bi our lord ihu cū ſi
 whom we han nyz goyng to.
 by ſerp into þis grace. in which
 we ſtonden & han gloxie in pe hope
 of reglorie of godis children: &
 not þis only: but alſo we gloxi
 en in tribulaciōis / wriſge. ¶
 tribulaciōis worchip patience
 & patience priyng. & priyng hope
 & hope cōfōndy not / for pe chari
 te of god is ſpyed abroad to me her
 tis by pe hooly goſt pat is ſonū
 to us / and whyle ¶ we were ſpke
 aſen pe tyme. wher dyde cū for
 wickid me / for vneþis dyer ony mā
 for pe niſt man / & it for a good mā.
 pauente ſū mā dar dpe. ¶ but god
 comēdy þis charite in vs / for if whi
 ne we were it ſynners. aſen pe
 tyme cū was deed for vs. pāne
 moche more now we iuſtified i þis
 blood ſhulen be ſaſt fro wraſpe
 by hi / for if whāne whāne we
 weren euemyes: we ben recoi
 celid to god bi pe deſp of his ſone
 nyzche moze we recoi celid: ſhū
 len be ſaſt in pe lōf of hi / & not
 only þis: but alſo we gloxi en
 in god. by our lord ihu cū: by
 who we han reſſeyued now re
 conſelis / ¶ fore as by o mā ſyne en
 tride into þis world. & by ſyne deſp
 & eo deſp paſſide forp to alle me:
 in which mā alle me ſhūden forp